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INVADERS

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CHANGED:
BLACK ORGANIZING PROJECT, aka
Black Organizing Power,
Afro-American Brotherhood,
~~Black Student Association~~, — deleted see 157-21640-1
LeMoyne Intercollegiate Chapter of NAACP,
Invaders,
City Organizers
RACIAL MATTERS

(OO: Memphis)

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

Title is marked CHANGED to list the correct name of instant organization; formerly known as Invaders and Black Organizing Power.

Re Bureau airtel 4/3/68 entitled "Sanitation Workers Strike, Memphis, Tennessee," and re Memphis letter to Bureau 3/5/68 entitled, "The Invaders."

AGENCY: ACSI, NIC, OSI, SEC. SERV.,
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(1 - 170-1040 Sub [redacted]
(1 - 157-1070, [redacted]
(1 - 170-1024, [redacted]
(1 - 157-957, [redacted]
(1 - 157-1000, [redacted]
(1 - 100-4528, [redacted]
(1 - 157-556, Possible Racial Violence, Major Urban Areas)
(1 - 157-166, SCLC)
~~(1 - 66-1687 Sub A, Dissemination File)~~

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies and for Atlanta and Knoxville 1 copy each of LHM captioned as above. Copies are also being furnished to U. S. Attorney, Memphis; U. S. Secret Service, Memphis; and to Regional Offices of Military Intelligence.

Sources utilized in enclosed LHM are as follows:

| Identity of Source | File Where Located |
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| Source one is [redacted] | ME 170-1024 |
| Source two is [redacted] | ME 170-70 Sub |
| Source three is [redacted] | NY 134-9382A-958 |
| Source four is [redacted] | ME 170-1022 Sub |
| Source five is [redacted] | ME 170-83 |
| Source six is [redacted] | ME 170-114 |
| Source seven is [redacted] | ME 100-4528-177 p.12 |
| Source eight is [redacted] | ME 100-4528-177 p.18 |

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| Source nine is [redacted] | ME 170-117 |
| Source ten is [redacted] | ME 134-452 Sub |
| Source eleven is [redacted] | ME 170-1019 Sub |
| Source twelve is [redacted] | ME 134-423 Sub |
| Source thirteen is [redacted] | ME 170-489 Sub |
| Source fourteen is [redacted] | Initially reported this communication. |
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| Source seventeen is [redacted] | |
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| Source nineteen is [redacted] | Initially reported this communication. |

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| Source twenty one is [redacted] | Initially reported this communication. |

It now appears that BOP is a local group led and operated by Memphians. It admittedly follows the teachings of SNCC and uses some of SNCC's literature. However, its members, plus sources of this office, have repeatedly reported no evidence of formal alignment or affiliation with SNCC, other than a possible sympathetic fraternal relationship.

CHARLES LAVERNE CABBAGE and COBY VERNON SMITH are both on the Security Index and the Agitator Index, Memphis Office.

A report is being prepared concerning JOHN BURRELL SMITH. He will be recommended for Security Index and the Agitator Index.

This LHM was prepared in detail to illustrate the potential for violence of the BOP and to cite instances in which key members thereof have urged and advocated violence. This was done in order to inform outside Federal agencies, which may be considering funding BOP, of its irresponsible and inherent dangerous category.

It is specifically pointed out on page 72 of this LHM that Undersecretary of Labor James Reynolds and two other officials of the U. S. Department of Labor have already allegedly discussed possible funding with BOP representatives.

Enclosed LHM is classified CONFIDENTIAL as it contains information from informants and sources of continuing value. The unauthorized disclosure of this information could possibly lead to the disclosure of their identities thus jeopardizing the security of the United States.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

Bureau, through liaison sources, will consider furnishing copies of the LHM to U. S. Department of Labor; U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare; and if feasible to the Office of Economic Opportunity, which provides 90 per cent of the funds which finance the Memphis, Tennessee, War on Poverty Committee which may help fund BOP.

Further, it is requested that the Bureau, through liaison with the U. S. Department of Labor, determine details of any conversations between Undersecretary of Labor James Reynolds and BOP and the transactions, if any, on the part of [redacted] and [redacted] or [redacted] of the Coalition for Youth Action, U. S. Department of Labor.

LEAD:

MEMPHIS DIVISION

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will continue to follow and report pertinent activities re BOP.